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A. DIPLOMATIC OBSERVERS WHO WITNESSED INES GUADALUPE ((DUARTE))
DURAN BEING TURNED OVER TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE
RED CROSS (ICRC) EARLIER IN DAY WERE SURPRISED BY THE EMOTIONAL
FAREWELL THAT INES DUARTE BADE TO GUERRILLA COMMANDERS "LUCIO
MARTINEZ", DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES OF LIBERATION (FAL),
AND "FACUNDO GUARDADO" OF THE POPULAR LIBERATION FORCES (FPL).
THE OBSERVERS SAID THAT UPON SAYING GOODBYE, DUARTE HUGGED AND
KISSED MARTINEZ AND GUARDADO PROFUSELY. [REDACTED]

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B. DIPLOMATIC OBSERVER WHO TRAVELED WITH ICRC REPRESENTATIVES
MORNING 24 OCTOBER TO CHALATENANGO DEPARTMENT TO RECEIVE 22
WOUNDED INSURGENTS FROM THE GUERRILLAS SAID THAT THE ICRC CARAVAN
WAS DELAYED FOR AN HOUR AT AN ARMY CHECKPOINT NEAR EL PARAISO
WHILE THEY WERE ON THEIR WAY TO THE EXCHANGE POINT. THE
OBSERVER'S IMPRESSION WAS THAT FOURTH BRIGADE COMMANDER COLONEL
SIGIFREDO ((OCHOA)) HAD ORDERED THAT THE CARAVAN BE DELAYED
SIMPLY OUT OF SPITE BECAUSE THEY HAD ALREADY MET WITH OCHOA AT
FOURTH BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS AT EL PARAISO AND BEEN ASSURED THAT
EVERYTHING WOULD PROCEED SMOOTHLY IN THE CARAVAN'S ONWARD TRAVEL.
FPL GUERRILLA OFFICIALS LED BY "COMMANDANTE SUSANNA," WHO LATER
TURNED THEIR WOUNDED OVER TO THIS ICRC CARAVAN, GAVE THE WOUNDED
A HEROES' FAREWELL COMPLETE WITH A SPECIAL CEREMONY. THE MAJORITY
OF THE WOUNDED WERE BETWEEN 15 AND 17 YEARS OLD. (SOURCE:
CHIEF OF MISSION AT PERUVIAN EMBASSY, EDWIN ((GUTIERREZ)) PADRON.)

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